



Quick Success

HP PhotoSmart 215 digital camera

1 Unpack your camera

The HP PhotoSmart 215 digital camera comes with everything you need to take digital photos and transfer them to your computer.

- HP PhotoSmart digital camera
- USB cable
- PhotoImpression software on CD-ROM
- Wrist strap with CompactFlash memory card extractor tool
- CompactFlash memory card
- 4 AA alkaline batteries
- Documentation—HP PhotoSmart 215 digital camera User's Guide and Quick Success poster

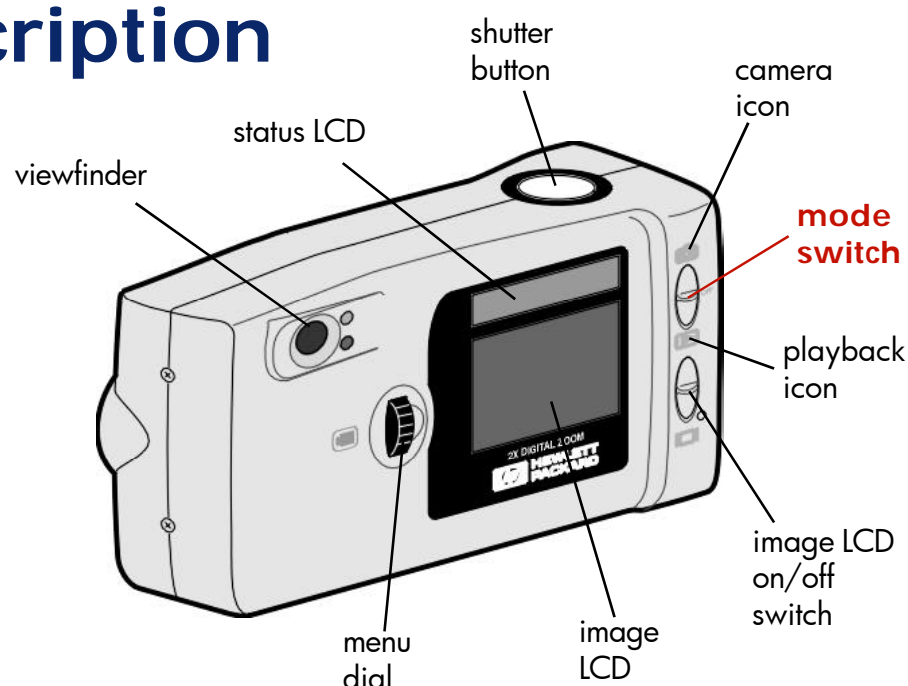
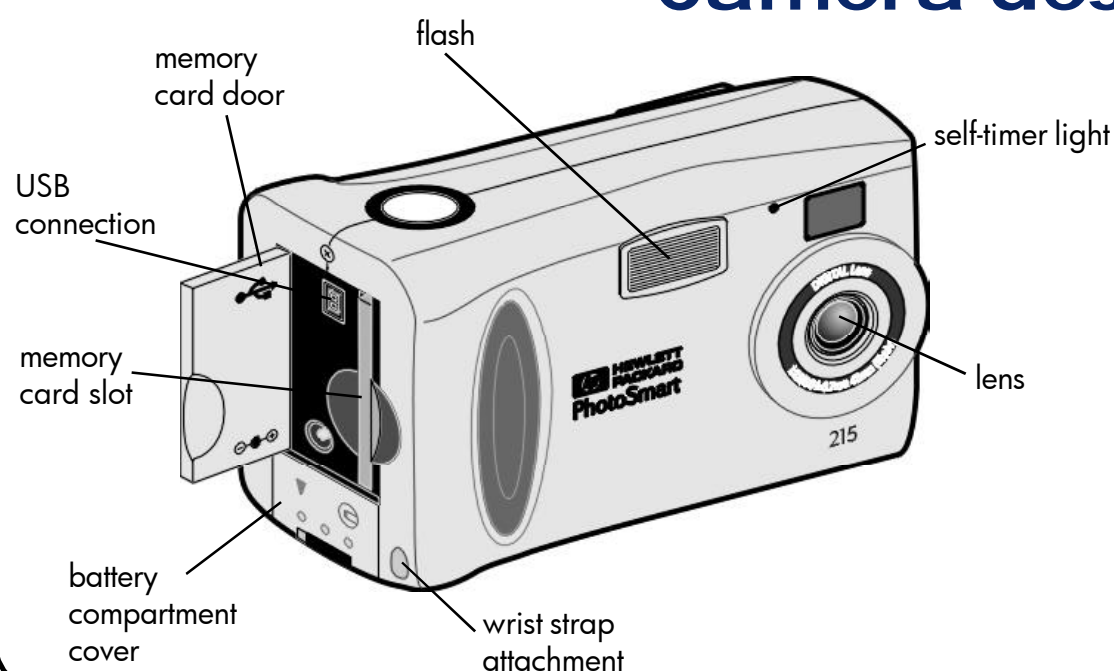
2 Attach the wrist strap



1. Thread the short loop of the wrist strap through the wrist strap attachment. You might need to use a paper clip to thread the end of the loop through.
2. Pull the strap through the loop, then pull the knot tight.

The clip is used to remove the memory card.

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3 Set up your camera

Install the batteries

1. Unlock the battery compartment (slide the lever to the unlock position) and open the compartment door (slide it down).
2. Insert the 4 AA alkaline batteries (supplied), making sure that the +/- electrodes match the indicators on the inside of the camera's battery compartment.
3. Close and relock the battery compartment.

Choose the language

1. Slide the **mode** switch up to the camera icon to turn the camera on.
2. Turn the **menu** dial to highlight your language, then press the **menu** dial.

The Date & Time menu appears on the image LCD.

Set the camera date and time

1. Turn the **menu** dial to choose the date, then press the **menu** dial to select.
2. Turn the **menu** dial to change the month, then press the **menu** dial to set. Change the day, year and time in the same manner.
3. Turn the **menu** dial to select Exit, then press the **menu** dial to return to Capture mode.

4 Take a photo

1. With the **mode** switch up at the camera icon, you are ready to take a photo.

The status LCD displays the approximate number of photos available and the battery level. Be sure to move your fingers away from the camera lens before taking a photo.

2. Take your photo.

Press the **shutter** button half way down. When you see the green light next to the viewfinder, press the button all the way down. The photo will show on the image LCD while it is being saved.

Note: You can change the photo quality, adjust the flash and focus settings, or use the self-timer and digital zoom. See the User's Guide for details.

5 Review your photos

After you have taken some photos and they are stored on the CompactFlash memory card, you can view them using the image LCD.

Tip: To preserve battery life, connect the AC power adapter while using the image LCD to review your photos. See the User's Guide for details.

1. Slide the **mode** switch down to the playback icon. The last photo taken displays on the image LCD.
2. Use the **menu** dial to scroll through your photos.
3. Press the **menu** dial to display the Review menu for more reviewing options. See the User's Guide for details.



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6 Install the software

With the ArcSoft PhotoImpression software, you can download your photos to your computer, edit your photos, then print the photos or email them to family and friends.

1. Insert the PhotoImpression CD into your computer's CD-ROM drive.
2. Follow the instructions on the screen.

Note: If the installation window doesn't appear, use Windows Explorer to locate your CD-ROM drive, then double-click the file **setup.exe**.

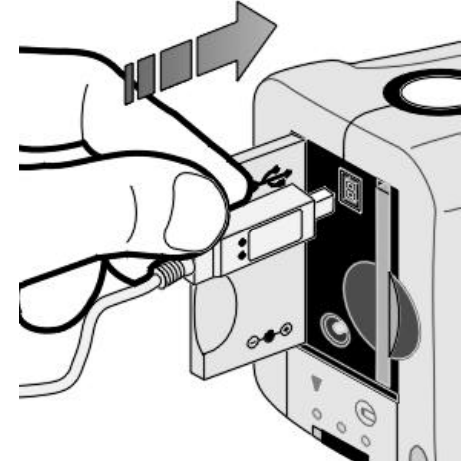
7 Connect the camera to your computer

Once you have taken some photos with your HP PhotoSmart digital camera and are ready to download them, connect the camera to your computer.

Tip: To preserve battery life, connect an HP approved AC power adapter while downloading photos to your computer.


1. Connect the camera to your computer using the USB cable provided.
2. Slide the **mode** switch down to the playback icon.
3. The ArcSoft PhotoImpression software automatically starts.

Note: If the PhotoImpression software does not automatically display, double-click the PhotoImpression icon on your desktop.



8 Download photos

Once you connect the camera, you can download photos directly from your digital camera to a photo album on your PC.

1. Click the blinking **Acquire** button. 
2. Select an album to put your photos in. You can select the default album, create a new album by typing a new name, or select an existing album.

Thumbnails from the camera display in the dialog box.

Note: The photos are not saved to your hard drive until after the next step.

3. Download the photos to your computer:
 - To download all the photos from the camera, select **Get All Photos from Camera**.
 - To download specific photos from the camera, select the photos to transfer then click **Get Selected Photos from Camera**.

Note: To delete all the photos from the camera after you have saved them on your computer, select **Delete All Photos from Camera** after you have downloaded your photos.

4. Close the dialog box. Your photos are now stored in the photo album on your PC.

9 Use the software

With your photos downloaded, double-click on a photo to create fun and unique projects. The software has options to:

- **Get Photos** - download additional photos from your HP PhotoSmart digital camera.
- **Edit** - retouch, enhance, and add effects or text to your photo.
- **Create** - add a frame or text to your photo or use your photos to make fantasy shots, calendars and greeting cards.
- **Save** - save your photo projects to a disk.
- **Print** - print your photos individually or create album pages.
- **Email** - email your photos to family and friends.

For help with the PhotoImpression software, click on the question mark in the corner of your screen.

10 Share and print your photos

After you create your unique photos, you can print them for yourself or email them to your family and friends.

Print photos

1. Select a photo to print from a photo album. Click **Print**.
2. Select from the following print options:

Standard Printing prints a single photo that you have selected.

Multiple Printing prints multiple photos per page to make photo album pages.

Thumbnail Printing prints the thumbnails from the photo album.

3. Adjust the photo size and position, and select the number of copies to print.
4. Click **Print**.

Print photo album pages

1. Click **Print**.
2. Select **Multiple Printing**.
3. Select the photo album page template.
4. To select the photos, click on the template location and then click on the photo.
5. Select the number of copies to print.
6. Click **Print**.

Email your photos

1. Select a photo to email from a photo album.
2. Click **Email**.
3. Select the photo size:
 - Small** for fast onscreen viewing.
 - Medium** for small prints.
 - Original** for large prints.
4. Click **Send**.
5. Write and send the email message.